Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: In his estate he is cultivating both fruit trees and English vegetables.

HILL PADDY SCHEME—OFFICERS EMPLOYED

173. Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram)*:

താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടു് ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയുമൊ.—

(എ) ഹിൽപാടി കൾട്ടിവേഷനു നിയമിതരായിരുന്ന ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെയെല്ലാം ഒഴിവാക്കിയൊ;

(ബി) ഇപ്പോൾ ഒഴിവാക്കാതെ ഉദ്യോഗത്തിൽ നിലനിൎത്തീട്ടുള്ളതു് എത്രപേരാണു്;

(സി) അതിൽ യൂണിറ്റു് കമാണ്ടർമാർ, സൂപ്രവൈസർമാർ, സർദാർമാർ എന്നിവർ എത്ര പേർ വീതമുണ്ടു്;

(ഡി) അവർ ഏതേതു സമുദായത്തിൽ പെട്ടവരാണു്?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*:

(എ) ഇല്ല.

(ബി) ന്യൂൻ

(സി. & ഡി) എല്ലാവിവരങ്ങളും അടിങ്ങിയ ഒരു ലീസ്റ്റു് അനുബന്ധമായി ചേൎത്തിരിക്കുന്നു. *(Appendix II)*

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സു്. പണിക്കർ : ഉത്തരം (എ) ഇല്ല, എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടു്. സിവിൽ ലിസ്റ്റിൽ ഏഴ യൂണിറ്റ് കമാണ്ടർമാർ ഉണ്ടെന്നു കാണുന്നുണ്ടു്. ഇതിൽ നാലേ കാണുവാനുള്ളു അതിനു കാരണമെന്താണു്?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ : അവരെ പിരിച്ചയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടായിരിക്കാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സു്. പണിക്കർ : ഉത്തരം (എ) യിൽ ഇല്ല എന്നു മറുപടി പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടല്ലോ.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ : എല്ലാം ഒഴിവാക്കിയൊ എന്നാണു ചോദ്യം. എല്ലാം ഒഴിവാക്കീട്ടില്ല, ഒഴിവാക്കിയതു കഴിച്ചു് ബാക്കിയുള്ളവരുടെ ലിസ്റ്റാണു് ഇതിൽ അനുബന്ധമായി ചേൎത്തിരിക്കുന്നതു്.

FEMALES BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 TO 30—PARTICULARS OF

174. Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of females of the ages 16 to 30;

(*b*) the percentage of those among them who have passed the School Final Examination;

(*c*) the percentage of the married under (*b*) and the percentage of the married excluding (*b*) as per the latest census? If available the communal statistics may be given.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) The number of females of the ages 15—30 is 2,02,734.

(*b*) and (*c*) The information is not available.

UNPASSED HANDS—WORKING AS CLERKS—PARTICULARS REGARDING

175. Mr. C. K. Nayar *(Nemmara)*:

താഴെ ചേൎക്കുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു് ഉത്തരം പറയുവാൻ ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടിനു് ദയ ഉണ്ടാകുമൊ.—

(എ) സ്കൂൾഫൈനൽ പരീക്ഷ പാസായിട്ടില്ലാത്തവരായി ൨൪—൫൦ ഗ്രേഡിൽ ഏതേതു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെണ്ടുകളിൽ എത്രപേർ വീതം ഇമസ്ഥന്മാരായിട്ടുണ്ടു്;

(ബി) ഇവരിൽ ൨൪ കൊല്ലത്തിലധികം സൎവ്വീസുള്ള എത്രപേരുണ്ടു്?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*:

(എ) (ബി)-ം—അനുബന്ധം നോക്കുക. *(Appendix III)*

ARTICLE IN THE "JANMABHOOMI"

176. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the article in the "Janmabhoomi" entitled "തീവണ്ടിയിൽ കേട്ടതു്" (what was heard in the train) has come to their notice;

(*b*) if not, will they please take notice of the aforesaid article published at page 5 of the "Janmabhoomi", dated 14th May 1944;

(*c*) will the Government please ascertain the truth or otherwise in the allegation that some high official in the State has been bribed with the presentation of a car by somebody?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (*a*).

(*c*) Government considered the matter and found that there was no truth in the allegation.

DEARNESS ALLOWANCE

177. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the total of dearness allowance paid by the Government to Government Employees in 1119;

(*b*) are Cochin Government servants supplied with their necessaries of life at controlled or pre-war prices;

(*c*) is the system in (*b*) not obtaining in Travancore and British India?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) The figures for 1119 are not yet available. The amount of dearness allowance required for payment to Government employees (including staff paid from contingencies) as per the revised estimate for 1119 is Rs. 11,03,237.

(*b*) In the case of commodities the prices of which have been controlled, the Government servants, like others, can purchase them at controlled rates. There is no special arrangement for Government servants.

(*c*) Government have no information.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Are the Government aware, Sir, that Railway servants are being supplied with the necessaries at pre-war rates?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* They have some arrangement to give rice. That I know. But it is not on pre-war rates but at the present market rates.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Sir, I question the correctness of that statement.

EXCISE STAFF—SALARY OF—ENAMMAVU, ETC., RANGES

178. Mr. K. R. Achuthan *(Trichur-Ezhuvas):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the salary of the Excise Staff in the Enammavu range for the months of Dhanu, Makaram and Kumbham 1119 was not disbursed on the 20th, 18th and 22nd of the succeeding months respectively;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, will Government be pleased to state the reasons for this late disbursal of salary?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) No. The pay was disbursed on 19th Makaram 1119, 17th Kumbham 1119 and 21st Meenam 1119 respectively.

(*b*) The pay bills of the range staff can be prepared only after receipt of tour statements for the previous month. These will generally be received from all the Sub-Inspectors only by the 5th of the succeeding month. The establishment of the preventive force including the staff for Price Control has considerably increased in strength and there was then only one clerk to prepare all these bills. These are the reasons for this late disbursement of pay.

Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* May I know, Sir, whether the difficulty with regard to the receipt of tour statements does not apply to other departments also?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes. It applies in the case of some other Departments also, where there are a large number of hands.

Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* May I know whether it is the practice throughout the year?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The Office staff has now been increased in order that payment may be made earlier.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Can we take it, Sir, that the pay subsequent to these months is being distributed to them before the 5th?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes. As far as possible.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know Sir, whether the Government are aware that these people are dependent upon their salary for their maintenance?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Every now and then such complaints are brought to the notice of the House. Will the Government be pleased to do something to see that such complaints do not come up in future at least?

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